

**COMBINATIONS OF PEROXISOME PROLIFERATOR-ACTIVATED RECEPTOR
(PPAR) ACTIVATOR(S) AND STEROL ABSORPTION INHIBITOR(S) AND
TREATMENTS FOR VASCULAR INDICATIONS**

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ABSTRACT

10 The present invention provides compositions, therapeutic combinations and methods including: (a) at least one peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor activator; and (b) at least one substituted azetidinone or substituted β -lactam sterol absorption inhibitor which can be useful for treating vascular conditions, diabetes, obesity and lowering plasma levels of sterols.